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SUBJECT:BOSTON TOURIST GROUP FROM FAMILY COUNSELING AND
GUIDANCE CENTERS, INC.-- REQUEST FOR EMBASSY/CONGEN
BRIEFINGS AND CHURCH SERVICE

REF: STATE 21817; LENINGRAD 137; MOSCOW 2018;

1. DEPT RELATED EMBASSY AND CONGEN RESPONSES TO
MSGR. ALVES THROUGH SEN. BROOKE'S OFFICE. MSGR. ALVES
SAYS HIS GROUP AGREES WITH PROPOSED DATE AND TIME FOR
MOSCOW BRIEFING, AND WITH PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR
CHURCH SERVICES, AS IN MOSCOW REFTEL.
2. GROUP AGREES TO CONGEN'S SUGGESTION, AND WILL CONTACT
LIESER UPON ARRIVAL IN LENINGRAD. MSGR. ALVES SAYS
GROUP OF 25 FOR GENERAL BRIEFING WILL BE FINE. MSGR.
WOULD GLADLY MEET WITH CONSUL GENERAL AND DEPUTY IN
ADDITION TO GROUP BRIEFING, AND VERY MUCH APPRECIATES
THEIR INVITATIONS.
3. IN TERMS OF SOVIET INSTITUTIONS SUGGESTED FOR ADDED
VISITS IN REFTELS B AND C, GROUP WILL MAKE REQUESTS THRU
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THEIR TRAVEL AGENT-INTOURIST FRAMEWORK. GROUP UNDERSTANDS

THAT SUCH REQUESTS MAY NOT TURN OUT, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW
OF SHORT TIME FRAME, BUT APPRECIATES SUGGESTIONS.
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4. ON BEHALF OF GROUP, MSGR. ALVES HAS EXPRESSED
DEEP APPRECIATION TO EMBASSY AND CONGEN FOR THEIR HELP
WITH THESE MATTERS. MSGR. SAYS OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD
GROUP CHURCH SERVICES IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED, ESPECIALLY
SINCE GROUP MEMBERS CAN NOW PLAN ON THE SERVICES BEING
HELD IN EMBASSY FACILITIES. INGERSOLL

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